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RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on October 27, 2006.

In accordance with the Examiner's request, each claim has now been provided with the proper status identifier. Please refer to the amendment document filed on October 20, 2006 for remarks regarding the amendments.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.